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A CCTV SURVEILLANCE CAMERA

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statements filed on January 11, 2002 and May 14, 2002, Applicant hereby submits a copy of a Japanese Office Action dated July 7, 2005, with respect to patent family member Japanese Patent Application No. 2001-295592, in which the following documents were cited:

Japanese Laid-open Patent Publication No. 2000-122109, together with an English language translation of the same; and

Japanese Laid-open Patent Publication No. HEI 5-292388, together with an English language translation of the same.

The relevance of each document, as ascertained by the Japanese Examiner, is set forth in the Japanese Office Action.

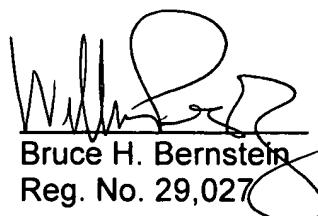
Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of the above-noted foreign documents are attached hereto and all of the documents are listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicant with the next official communication in the present application.

Further, Applicant notes that since this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted subsequent to the issuance of a Final Office Action on the merits, Applicant has included herewith a check in the amount of \$180.00 to cover the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17 (p).

Applicant furthermore certifies that each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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